

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re application of:

INABA et al.

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For: PERIPHERAL DEVICE  
OF A PROGRAMMABLE  
CONTROLLER AND MONI-  
TORING METHOD OF SAID  
PERIPHERAL DEVICE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants request that the referenced patent  
application be amended as shown below.